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: COMPUTER INPUT DEVICE WITH

DIGIT SUPPORT AND NATURAL

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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PAPER IS BEING SENT BY U.S. MAIL, FIRST CLASS, TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231, THIS

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PATENT ATTOPNED

Sir:

Applicant appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Primary Examiner mailed October 22, 2003, finally rejecting claims 1, 3, 5-12, 14, 16-18 and 25-31.

#### FEE STATUS

[ ] Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is established by a verified statement previously filed on ---.

### FEE FOR FILING NOTICE OF APPEAL

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b) the fee for filing the Notice of Appeal is:

[X] other than a small entity

\$320.00

[] small entity

\$160.00

#### EXTENSION OF TIME

These proceedings are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 apply.

(a) [X] Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months

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Extension (months)	Fee for other than small entity	Fee for small entity
<pre>[ ] one month [X] two months [ ] three months [ ] four months</pre>	\$ 110.00 \$ 410.00 \$ 930.00 \$1,450.00	\$ 55.00 \$205.00 \$465.00 \$725.00

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(check and complete the next item, if applicable)

[ ] An extension for two months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$410.00 or

(b) Applicant believes that no extension of time [] is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

## TOTAL FEE DUE

The total fee due is:

Notice of Appeal fee \$320.00 Extension fee (if any) \$410.00

> Total Fee Due \$730.00

#### FEE PAYMENT

- A check in the amount of \$730.00 is attached.
- [ ] Charge Deposit Account No. 23-1123, the sum of \$\_.

The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1123. A duplicate copy of this communication is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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